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To: Certificate of Correction Branch

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Subject: Request for Certificate of Correction for Patent No. 6,770,680

This is in reply to your inquiry regarding patentee's "Request for Certificate of Correction of Applicant's Mistake, Under 37 C.F.R. 1.323" filed 30 August 2004.

The request should be denied. A reference in the specification to the international application upon which a national stage application filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 is based is not required by 37 CFR 1.78. See MPEP 1893.03(d), which states in relevant part, "[I]t is not necessary for the applicant to amend the first sentence(s) of the specification to reference the international application number that was used to identify the application during international processing of the application by the international authorities prior to commencement of the national stage." Accordingly, the present specification does not contain a mistake with respect to this matter.

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